Met Office Mountain Weather Forecast

Bannau Brycheiniog (Brecon Beacons) National Park

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Saturday 09 Dec 2023 until 23:59 on Sunday 10 Dec 2023

Forecast Issued on Saturday 09 Dec 2023 at 02:08

Confidence: High confidence for rain clearing to drier conditions Saturday, along with strong winds later. Moderate for detail of rain on Sunday, and also for the extent of showers Monday and Tuesday. High for freezing level remaining above summits through this period. Moderate for a change to drier and colder weather on Wednesday.

Headline for Saturday 09 Dec 2023: Wet start, clearing to drier intervals but also strong winds. Summit gales.

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 09 Dec 2023

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
Low Likelihood

Gales
Medium Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Low Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
Medium Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 600m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Light rain	Sunny intervals	Cloudy	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability					
90%	90%	30%	20%	10%	10%

Forecast for Saturday 09 Dec 2023

Weather: A wet start to the day, with persistent heavy rain and widespread low cloud. This breaking and clearing from the west from late morning, with sunny spells and isolated showers following. Winds strengthening however.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 600m: 10% or less becoming 80% from midday.

Low cloud and visibility: Widespread cloud obscuring hills above 500m during the morning, with some patches as low as 400m in the west. Rain will also limit views to only moderately distant peaks during the morning. Cloud lifting and breaking into the afternoon, with widespread good to very good views of distant hills developing, only falling again on the summits during any showers.

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Forecast for Saturday 09 Dec 2023

Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	31/39 S	23/31 SW	30/40 W	32/44 W	32/44 W	33/45 W	27/39 W
300	16/35 S	14/30 SW	19/39 W	20/40 W	20/40 W	21/42 W	17/36 W
Valley	10/28 S	12/29 SW	17/38 W	18/39 W	17/38 W	19/40 W	16/34 W

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	7/1	9/5	6/1	6/-1	5/-2	4/-2	4/-2
300	9/5	10/7	9/5	8/4	7/3	7/2	6/2
Valley	9/7	11/8	10/6	9/5	8/4	7/3	7/3
Freezing Level*	2500m	2100m	1300m	1200m	1100m	1100m	1100m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

Very wet to start with widespread low cloud and strong winds. While visibility will improve into the afternoon, winds will only strengthen, with gusts of around 55-65mph possible across the highest routes and summits.

Recent rainfall: measured at Neuadd: altitude 353m

Recorded at	Last 24 hours:	Last 48 hours:	Last 72 hours:
03:00 on Sat 09 Dec 2023	9.4mm	29.4mm	34.6mm

Forecast for Sunday 10 Dec 2023

Weather: Chilly start with brisk winds, before a band of rain quickly moves east during the morning. Sunny spells follow, however winds strengthening again, ahead of further heavy showers spreading east during the evening.

Maximum wind: Southwest 30mph gusts 35-40mph becoming west 35mph gusts 45-55mph during the afternoon

Chance of cloud-free hill tops 600m: 30% becoming 90% by mid-day, then falling to 70% after dark.

Low cloud and visibility: Widespread cloud soon spreading east and obscuring some hills above 500m during the morning. This clearing by the afternoon, with just a few patches persisting on hills above 800m. Cloud thickening again during the evening, becoming widespread at 800m, with some patches down to 600m. Away from cloud, some good views of distant hills are possible, but occasionally reduced to poor with any heavy rain or showers.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Plus 6 Celsius increasing to Plus 13 Celsius
At 600m: Plus 6 Celsius
Freezing level: Above summits

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